COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

PETITION OF BAY STATE GAS COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF REVISED TARIFFS

DTE 05-27

MOTION TO EXTEND APPEAL PERIOD

Local 273 of the Utility Workers Union of America ("Local 273") respectfully moves the

Department, pursuant to 220 C.M.R. 1.11(11), to extend the judicial appeal period allowed under

G. L. ch. 25, § 5 until 20 days after a final ruling or other disposition of Local 273's Motion for

Clarification filed with the Department December 16, 2005. In support of this Motion to Extend,

Local 273 notes that Rule 1.11(11) specifically contemplates the granting of such extensions

upon reasonable cause. The Department should do so here to avoid parties filing appeals before

all issues regarding Local 273's Motion for Clarification have been finally resolved by the

Department.

RE:

In conclusion, Local 273 respectfully asks the Department to grant its Motion to Extend

Appeal Period.

Respectfully Submitted,

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